

PREFACE

The official registration lists for the Fifteenth Annual Road School show a total enrollment of 515. This is 25 less than last year's record attendance, a decrease possibly due to the fact that we had no exhibit of materials and equipment this year. The classified registration was as follows:

State Highway Department	61
County Highway Superintendents	73
Ass't County Highway Superintendents	24
County Surveyors	73
Deputy County Surveyors	6
County Commissioners	23
City Officials	52
Contractors	23
Materials and Equipment Men	131
Miscellaneous	49

Total515

There are some counties in the state which persistently evade the requirements of the state law requiring the attendance of each county surveyor and highway superintendent at this school. As a rule, these are the counties having the poorest road systems in the state. However, there are always several counties not represented because illness or other excusable factors prevent the attendance of their respective representatives. The following counties were not represented by county surveyors at this year's road school:

*Brown	Laporte	*Posey
Clay	*Martin	Ripley
Decatur	Morgan	Shelby
*Grant	*Owen	*Switzerland
Jackson	Parke	*Union
*Johnson	*Perry	Pike

Counties not represented by highway superintendents were as follows:

*Brown	Ohio	*Randolph
Clay	Orange	Ripley
*Gibson	Parke	Spencer
Knox	*Perry	*Sullivan
*Lagrange	Pike	Switzerland
*Monroe	Posey	Vigo
		Whitley

* Counties which have not been represented at the past three Road Schools.

There were 34 new county surveyors in office this year. This represents a turnover of 37%. There were only 11 changes in the county highway superintendent's office, representing a turnover of 12%. The four-year term of office of the county highway superintendents terminates this year, therefore we may anticipate a number of changes in this group for 1930.

Officers of the various associations for the year 1929 are as follows:

County Highway Superintendents Association

S. B. Mylin, WabashPresident
 Elmer Blue, GreencastleVice-President
 Fred Hubbell, AngolaSecretary-Treasurer

County Surveyors and County Engineers Association

Don Heaton, FowlerPresident
 John L. Stewart, BrookvilleVice-President
 H. D. Hartman, WabashSecretary-Treasurer

City Street Commissioners Association

W. D. Medlock, New AlbanyPresident
 A. B. MacDonald, LintonVice-President
 H. A. Blunk, MartinsvilleSecretary
 Guy Farr, LibertyTreasurer

Highway Materials and Equipment Association

Harry S. Marshall, IndianapolisPresident
 Bruce Short, IndianapolisVice-President
 V. E. Trimble, IndianapolisSecretary
 Hoyt Summerlin, WabashTreasurer

This year the time allotted to separate group meetings was extended to include two full days, namely, Wednesday and Friday. This arrangement permits discussion of questions applying to particular groups which would not be of sufficient general interest to justify scheduling them on the program at the joint sessions of all of the groups.

The annual dinner-smoker usually held on the first evening of the road school week was dispensed with this year to permit the men to attend the conference basketball game between Wisconsin and Purdue, for which a block of seats had been reserved.

On Wednesday evening the Indiana County Highway Superintendents' Association held a banquet in the Fowler Hotel, at which Professor F. F. Hargrave, of the Department of History and Economics, spoke on "The Early Development of Railways in Indiana."

The Annual Road School banquet on Thursday evening in the Purdue Memorial Union Building was attended by 425 men. Professor Ben H. Petty acted as toastmaster and the principal address was made by Mr. F. Harold VanOrman, former Lieutenant Governor of Indiana. This program was broadcast over the Purdue radio station, W.B.A.A., through the courtesy of Mr. Stafford of the School of Electrical Engineering.

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